GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department - Diversion of 2.09 ha of forest land (as per RSR the land classified as Reserve Forest) in Sy.No.332 & 333 in Dagamatla Village, Nandikotkur Mandal, Rollapadu Beat, Section, Rollapdu Range, PT Atmakur Division, Nandyal District in favour of Project Director, NHAI, PIU Kurnool for Rehabilitation and Upgradation of NH-340C from Kurnool (Existing Km 5.400 of NH -40/Design Km 0.000) to Mandlem (Existing Km 38.000/Design Km 30.600) (PKG.1) to 4 Lane with paved shoulders (Design length 30.600 km) in the state of Andhra Pradesh under NH(O) on Hybrid Annuity Mode in favour of Project Director, NHAI, PIU, Kurnool – Permission accorded – Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 38 **Dated: 16-05-2025**
Read the following:-

1)From the PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Mangalagiri, Lr.Ref.No.EFS02-15034/20/2023-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1, dated 28.12.2023.
2)State Govt. Letter No.20/Sec.II/2024/2317405, EFS&T (Sec.II) Dept., dated 25.01.2024.
3)From GoI, MoEF & CC, Sub-office of the Regional Office, Vijayawada, online Proposal No.FP/AP/ROAD/446298/2023, dated 15.08.2024.
4)From the PCCF & HoFF., A.P. Mangalagiri Lr.Rc.No.EFS02-15034/20/2023-FCA-1, dated 05.04.2025.
5)State Govt.Letter No.20/Sec.II/2024/2317405, EFS&T (Sec.II) Dept., dated 16.04.2025.
6)From the GoI, MoEF&CC, Sub-office of the Regional Office at Vijayawada, online proposal No.FP/AP/ROAD/446298/2023, dated 02.05.2025.

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ORDER:

In the letter 1st read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, has submitted a statutory proforma proposal seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2(1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, for the diversion of 2.09 ha of forest land (as per RSR the land classified as Reserve Forest) in Sy.No.332 & 333 in Dagamatla Village, Nandikotkur Mandal, Rollapadu Beat, Section, Rollapadu Range, PT Atmakur Division, Nandyal District in favour of Project Director, NHAI, PIU Kurnool for Rehabilitation and Upgradation of NH-340C from Kurnool (Existing Km 5.400 of NH-40/Design Km 0.000) to Mandlem (Existing Km 38.000/Design Km 30.600) (PKG.1) to 4 Lane with paved shoulders (Design length 30.600 km) in the state of Andhra Pradesh under NH(O) on Hybrid Annuity Mode in favour of Project Director, NHAI, PIU, Kurnool.

2. In the letter 2nd read above, the proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, was sent to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Sub-Office of the Regional Office, Vijayawada, for in-principle approval under Section 2 (1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

3. In the letter 3rd read above, the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Sub-Office of the Regional Office, Vijayawada, has accorded in-principle approval under Section 2(1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, and has requested to submit the compliance report on the conditions stipulated therein within the stipulated time for final approval.

4. In the letter 4th read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, has furnished a compliance report on the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval, for onward submission to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Sub-Office of the Regional Office, Vijayawada, for final approval of the above proposal. The same has been forwarded to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Sub-Office of the Regional Office, Vijayawada, for the grant of final approval under Section 2(1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, vide letter in the 5th read above.

5. In the letter 6th read above, the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Sub-office of the Regional Office, Vijayawada, has accorded final approval under Section 2(1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, for diversion of 2.09 ha of forest land (as per RSR the land classified as Reserve Forest) in Sy.No.332 & 333 in Dagamatla Village, Nandikotkur Mandal, Rollapadu Beat, Section, Rollapadu Range, PT Atmakur Division, Nandyal District in favour of Project Director, NHAI, PIU Kurnool for Rehabilitation and Upgradation of NH-340C from Kurnool (Existing Km 5.400 of NH-40/Design Km 0.000) to Mandlem (Existing Km 38.000/Design Km 30.600) (PKG.1) to 4 Lane with paved shoulders (Design length 30.600 km) in the state of Andhra Pradesh under NH(O) on Hybrid Annuity Mode in favour of Project Director, NHAI, PIU, Kurnool, subject to certain conditions stipulated therein.

6. Government, after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, for diversion of 2.09 ha of forest land (as per RSR the land classified as Reserve Forest) in Sy.No.332 & 333 in Dagamatla Village, Nandikotkur Mandal, Rollapadu Beat, Section, Rollapadu Range, PT Atmakur Division, Nandyal District in favour of Project Director, NHAI, PIU Kurnool for Rehabilitation and Upgradation of NH-340C from Kurnool (Existing Km 5.400 of NH-40/Design Km 0.000) to Mandlem (Existing Km 38.000/Design Km 30.600) (PKG.1) to 4 Lane with paved shoulders (Design length 30.600 km) in the state of Andhra Pradesh under NH(O) on Hybrid Annuity Mode in favour of Project Director, NHAI, PIU, Kurnool, subject to the following conditions:-

1. General Conditions:

S.No.	Conditions
1.1	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
1.2	At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the then prevailing rate, the User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
1.3	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
1.4	The User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas.
1.5	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
1.6	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
1.7	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
1.8	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
1.9	No additional or new paths will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
1.10	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 2.09 ha.
1.11	The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forest in

	the surrounding area.
1.12	The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Regional Office by the end of March every year.
1.13	The user agency shall comply with all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
1.14	The conditions required to be adhered under the Forests Right Act, 2006 as per the rules/guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall be strictly complied with.
1.15	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.
1.16	Violation of any of these conditions will amounts to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.

2. **Standard conditions:**

S.No.	Conditions
2.1	The user agency will provide retaining walls, breast walls and drainage as per requirement to make the slope stable.
2.2	Overburden shall not be dumped outside the width of the road. The muck generated in the earth cuttings will be disposed of at the designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes.
2.3	The user agency shall arrange to raise strip plantation on either side of the road and central verge at project cost, as per IFC specification, with maintenance of 7-10 years. The user agency shall also submit design of providing at least 2-3 rows of long rotation indigenous trees, as per provision of IRC-SP-21-2009 (Guidelines on landscaping & tree plantation), on either side of the road before final clearance.
2.4	The User Agency will undertake comprehensive soil conservation measures at the project cost in consultation with the State Forest Department.

3. **Specific conditions**

S.No.	Conditions
3.1	Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised over 4.18 ha (out of 5.03 ha identified) of degraded forest land identified in Compartment No.828, Guvvalakuntla-B RF of Gummadapuram beat of Musalimadugu Section, Atmakur Range, Atmakur division as per the scheme was approved by the State Forest Department. The cost of implementing the CA Scheme as proposed by State Forest Department shall be realized from User Agency.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G. ANANTHA RAMU
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,
Andhra Pradesh, Mangalagiri, Guntur District.

Copy to:

1.The Chief Executive Officer, National Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority, 4th Floor, Block No.3, CGO Complex, New Delhi – 110 003.
2. The Inspector General of Forests,
ROHQ, MoEF&CC, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan,
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110 003.
3. The Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central),
GoI, MoEF&CC, Sub-office at Vijayawada of
Regional Office, Chennai, Green House Complex,
Gopal Reddy Road, Vijayawada – 520 010.
4.The Project Director, NHAI, PIU, Kurnool.
5. SC/SF

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER